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Identical letters dated 2 June 2014 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to attach herewith a press release issued by the High Relief Commission in the Syrian Arab Republic, dated 2 June 2014, regarding the implementation of Security Council resolution 2139 (2014) and the Syrian humanitarian response plan (see annex).

It would be highly appreciated if the present letter and its annex were to be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 70 (a), and of the Security Council.

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The High Relief Commission has been implementing the country's humanitarian response and assistance plan in the context of the ongoing efforts of the Government of the Syrian Arab Republic to facilitate in every way humanitarian access to all regions of Syria. On Monday, 2 June 2014, the Commission cooperated with international organizations to deploy several humanitarian aid convoys of food and medical supplies to a number of Syrian governorates, particularly areas besieged by armed terrorist groups, such as the countryside outside Damascus, Aleppo, Idlib and Dar'a. Examples are Duma, Bab Bila and Bludan in Rif Dimashq; Binnish, Ma'arrat Misrin and Armanaz in the Idlib countryside; Yadudah, Ibta', Basr al-Harir in the Dar'a countryside; and Urum al-Kubra, Urum al-Sughra, Kafr Ta'al and Ibzimu in the Aleppo countryside.

The Commission has also been working to document the violations committed by armed terrorist groups. The Chair of the Commission and Minister of Social Affairs, Kindah al-Shammat, has announced the publication of the Commission's detailed report on the situation at Aleppo Central Prison and the violations that were committed while the prison and its inmates were besieged by the armed groups. The report disproves the allegations that have been disseminated regarding the situation at the prison.